

Amendments to the Abstract

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure as follows:

An image processing apparatus for executing recording preparation processing in accordance with a time interval in which a recording operation has not been performed includes a first control unit (~~100~~) which controls generation of image data to be recorded, a pseudo-time measuring unit (~~101~~) which generates pseudo-time data, a calculation unit (~~201, 207~~) which calculates the time interval in which a recording unit (~~205~~) is not executing the recording operation in accordance with the pseudo-time data, and a second control unit (~~201~~) which determines the recording preparation processing executed before recording the generated image data and controlling the processing based on the determination.